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Before DALE M. SHAW, Chief Appeals Administrator.

## ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL

This application was electronically received by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on August 14, 2008. A review of the application revealed that it is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the Examiner to address the following matter requiring attention prior to docketing.

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On December 18, 2007, Appellants filed a Notice of Appeal. On March 18, 2008, Appellants filed an Appeal Brief. On March 18, 2009, Appellants filed a Request to Withdraw Appeal.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that this appeal is dismissed.

This application is returned to the Examiner for such further action as may be appropriate.

If there are any questions pertaining to this Order, please contact the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences at 571-272-9797.

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